

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the reasons that follow.

Status of Claims:

No claims are currently being added, cancelled or amended.

A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claims remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

Claims 1-5, 7, 8, 13, 15, 17, 18, 20, 21, 23, 24 and 26-34 remain pending in this application.

Indication of Allowable Subject Matter:

Applicants appreciate the indication of allowable subject matter made in the Office Action with respect to claims 27 and 31.

Claim Rejections – Prior Art:

In the Office Action, claims 1-5, 7, 8, 17, 20, 23, 28, 30 and 32 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lintulampi (U.S. Patent No. 6,377,804) in view of Murto (U.S. Patent No. 5,966,662). In addition, claims 13, 15, 18, 21, 24 and 26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lintulampi and Murto in view of Rinne (US Patent Publication No. 2001/0046863). Furthermore, claim 29 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lintulampi and Murto in view of Burns (U.S. Patent No. 7,200,110). These rejections are traversed for the reasons given below.

The Office Action correctly recognizes that Lintulampi fails to teach a list of at least a radio link and using the list in a UE. Nonetheless, the Official Action rejects claim 1, by asserting that Murto teaches a list of at least one node and using the list in UE (col. 6, lines 13-39 of Murto). This assertion is respectfully traversed.

Column 6, lines 27-34 of Murto describes that “The mobile services switching centre MSC then starts paging the mobile station MS on the radio path by transmitting to the base station system BSS a paging message PAG REQ HIGH, which contains at least the identifier

of the MS and a list of the identifiers of BTSs.... The base station controller BSC of the BSS transmits the paging message PAGE to the radio path via the BTSs in the list.”

Accordingly, the list in Murto is a list of the base stations “BTSs”, and it is not a list of a “radio link.” In addition, the list in Murto is transmitted to the base station system BSS alone, and it is not transmitted to the mobile station MS. As is understood from the description of “the base station controller BSC transmits the paging message PAGE to the radio path via the BTSs in the list,” it is clear that the list in Murto is used in the base station controller BSC to determine that the base station controller BSC transmits the paging message PAGE with respect to the base stations BTSs, wherein the list is not used in the mobile station MS.

Accordingly, since Murto fails to teach or suggest a list of at least a radio link and using the list in a UE, independent claim 1, as well as the other independent claims under rejection, patentably distinguish over the combined teachings of Lintulampi and Murto. Please also note that neither Rinne nor Burns (cited against certain dependent claims) make up for the above-mentioned deficiencies of Murto.

Conclusion:


All of the issues raised in the Office Action have been addressed in this Reply. Hence, Applicants believe that the present application is now in condition for allowance, and an early indication of allowance is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing or a credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicants hereby petition for such extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and authorize payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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